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SUBJ: LAA AIRCRAFT PURCHASE PLANS

1. ECONOFF DISCUSSED LIBYAN ARAB AIRLINES (LAA)
AIRCRAFT ACQUISITION PLANS WITH LAA CHAIRMAN JIBANI
APRIL 10.

2. JIBANI SAID THAT LAA CURRENTLY EVALUATING SALES
PROPOSALS FROM BOEING, DOUGLAS, AND FOKKER. HE SAID
THAT LAA FAVORED BOEING NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF PAST
EXPERIENCE WITH 727, BUT ALSO BECAUSE IT IMPRESSED
WITH 737. LATTER, HOWEVER, SUITABLE ONLY FOR CERTAIN
PORTIONS OF LAR DOMESTIC SERVICE (BENGHAZI, SEBHA,
GHADAMES), NOT FOR DESERT STRIPS OR SMALLER CITIES
WHICH MIGHT REQUIRE FOKKER AIRCRAFT. JIBANI SAID
THAT MUCH WOULD DEPEND ON ALLOCATIONS IN FY 73 DEVELOP-
MENT BUDGET WHICH DUE TO BE PUBLISHED WITHIN NEXT FEW
WEEKS; E. I. NUMBER AND QUALITY OF AIRCRAFT LAA COULD
PURCHASE. HE SUGGESTED THAT ECONOFF CONTACT HIM
APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS AFTER DEVELOPMENT BUDGET
PUBLISHES, AT WHICH TIME HE HOPED TO HAVE " GOOD NEWS".

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3. JIBANI SAID THAT FOLLOWING DOWNING OF LAA 727
OVER SINAI, ALGERIANS HAD TEMPORARILY LOANED LAR
727. LATER LAA HAD PULLED BACK FROM SALE A THIRD
CARAVELLE WHICH, TOGETHER WITH TWO OTHER CARAVELLES AND ONE
727, CONSTITUTE LAA'S PRESENT FLEET FOR NON- DOMESTIC
SERVICE.

4. JIBANI SAID THAT THERE WERE NO PROBLEMS WITH THE
VARIOUS PROPOSALS OF THE U. S. AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURERS;
HE WOULD SIMPLY HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE WHAT AND HOW
MUCH HE COULD BUY WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE NEW
DEVELOPMENT BUDGET.
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